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Dear Dr. Achilefu,

Enclosed are copies of the following items:

- U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/744,334, entitled Hydrophilic Light Absorbing Compositions for Determination of Physiological Function in Critically Ill Patients, which is a Continuation-in-Part of Serial No. 09/688,943
 - the 10/744,334 application as filed on December 23, 2003
 - Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition
 - Assignment
- U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/751,232, entitled Light Sensitive Compounds for Instant Determination of Organ Function, which is a continuation-in-part of Serial No. 09/688,942
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Please sign the Declaration and Assignment for each application, in blue ink, noting that the Assignment is to be notarized. Please return the executed documents to us by **August 25, 2004**.

Please contact me with any questions.

Very truly yours,



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